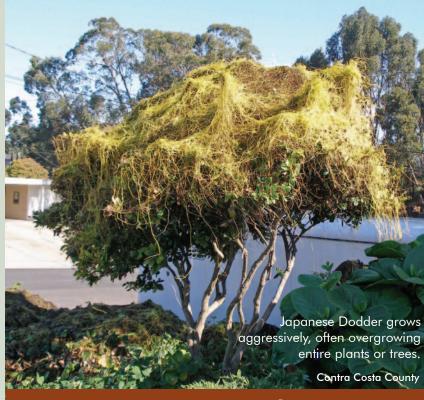
JAPANESE DODDER

Japanese Dodder, Cuscuta japonica, is a non-native parasitic plant that has the ability to kill most trees and shrubs. The appearance of Japanese Dodder has been described as looking like a twisting, yellow-to-orange strand of spaghetti. Japanese Dodder kills its host plant by robbing it of food and water.

In California, Japanese Dodder reproduces through the dissemination of small fragments of stems. These plant parts can be spread by birds, other animals and by human activities associated with pruning, gardening, composting and, the improper disposal of infested plant materials.



Have you seen this vine?

PLEASE CALL TO REPORT:

1-800-491-1899



The California Department of Food & Agriculture, in cooperation with your local county Agricultural Commissioner, is asking for your help in locating this parasitic vine.

If you have seen it, please call us at 1-800-491-1899.





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